THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b). Reserve Bank of India have reported that nationalised bank do not make separate allocation for implementation of the official language (Hindi) policy. The expenditure on this item is included under establishment and other administrative expenditure.

(c) and (d). Do not arise.

Waiving of Bank Loans of 1984 Riot Affected Persons

3818. SHRI BARE LAL JATAV: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to write off the bank loans of riot affected people of 1984;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not the, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) There is no proposal to write off the bank loans to 1984 riot-affected borrowers.

(b) and (c). Reserve Bank of India (RBI) have advised all scheduled commercial banks including foreign banks as under:

(i) The banks should make a review of the credit facilities granted to all the November, 1984 riot-affected borrowers. The review should take into account their repaying capacity, the operations in their accounts, the nature and type of the securities available, the present condition of the securities, other assets, if any, owned by them and all other relevant factors.

(ii) On the basis of the review, banks should decide the case of each loanee on merits and afford such reliefs as may be considered reasonable. The reliefs may include further extension of time for repayment of dues, entering into compromise arrangement and, in cases, where there are no reasonable chances of recovery of dues, write off of the amounts due from the borrowers concerned.

Further, consequent to the decision of the Government of India to grant relief in deserving cases by charging interest upto 31st December, 1989 on eligible loans taken by November, 1994 riot-affected borrowers at 6% per annum, RBI has in September, 1990 circulated to all commercial banks the guidelines on "Central Interest Subsidy Scheme for November, 1984 Riot Affected Borrowers."

Assistance of Defence Laboratories to Industries

3820. SHRI GOVINDRAO NIKAM: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to provide assistance of defence laboratories and scientists to the industries in our country;

(b) if so, the details thereof: and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) Raksha Mantri while addressing 5th Congress on High Technology, New Delhi on 21 Nov 1991 had stated that where needed, our industries can use Defence Laboratories as a carrier to introduce new technologies and the quality culture in their products as the French and